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Hongkong, September 16, 1907. 1490

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THE ANNUAL AQUATIC SPORTS
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Hongkong, September 17, 1907. 1501

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NOTICE.

THERE will be a GENERAL MEETING
of the HONGKONG Polo Club in
the Pavilion, at 4 o'clock on SATURDAY
next, 21st inst.

All members are requested to attend.
O. C. R. HULL,
Hon. Secretary,
Hongkong Polo Club.

Hongkong, September 18, 1907. 1508

KOWLOON CRICKET CLUB.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
will be held on WEDNESDAY, the
25th inst., at 5.30 p.m., at CRICKET GROUNDS,
to receive Report of General Committee,
pass Account and to elect new Committee,
etc.

T. CHEE,
Hon. Secretary,
Hongkong, September 17, 1907. 1500

HONGKONG FOOTBALL CLUB.

THE 21st ANNUAL GENERAL
MEETING will be held on THURSDAY,
26th September, in the HONGKONG
HOTEL, at 5.30 p.m., to receive the
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H. L. O. GARRETT,
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OPIUM IN SZECHUAN.

The Waiwupu has wired to Chao Erh-feng, the acting Viceroy of Szechuan, that the British Minister has protested against the measures of the opium monopoly office in Szechuan. The acting Viceroy has replied to the Waiwupu that private shops are selling native opium but no measures to check foreign opium have been adopted by the local officials and the Waiwupu is requested to explain the facts to the British Minister.

CHINESE ON THE RAND.

In the House of Commons on the 12th August Mr Harold Cox asked whether the Transvaal Government had introduced a Bill to prolong the restrictions of the Chinese Labour Ordinance after that Ordinance expired in March next.

Mr Churchill said that he understood the policy of the Transvaal Government to be to postpone the Chinese labourers at the termination of their indentures, without permitting those indentures to be renewed. The existing labour importation Ordinance lapsed on March 21 next. An interval would therefore arise during which some provision for the government of the Chinese who were waiting to go was indispensable to the order and security of the colony. He had, as yet, no official information upon the provisions of the Bill, which was said to have been introduced to that end.

CHINA AND A CONSTITUTION.

The Deliberations in Peking.

A correspondent states that the kind of government obtaining in Japan is strongly favoured by Prince Ching, Duke Tsai Tsui and other Manchu high officials in the capital, as the supreme power still lies in the hands of the Throne. The various Chinese Ministers abroad, and students who have studied or are studying in Europe and America, all advocate taking England as the model for China, but Yun Shih-ku, being of opinion that China is not yet educated to the necessary standards, recommends Germany as the future model for China.

As their Majesties seemed to be uncertain which form of government to choose, it was suggested that special Commissioners should be sent to visit the three countries mentioned, make an exhaustive examination of their respective forms of government and then report them to the Throne, which could then make the necessary selection for introduction into the country. As this will give Peking breathing time, says the "N.C. Daily News," it was eagerly seized upon by their Majesties with the result that the recent decrees were promulgated, commanding Ta Shou to proceed to Japan, Wuang Ta-lsi to England and Yu Shih-ku to Germany.

According to a member of the South African Statistical Bureau, a fortune awaits the man who in that country will turn up intelligent, undivided, and, above all, persistent attention to pigs. On realising the fortune, and coming home as a South African millionaire, the grateful man would no doubt change his name to Hogenheimer.

Charlotte Brontë's New Testament, containing her autograph, fetched £19 and her prayer-book £6, at a sale of Brontë relics in London. Manuscript books, containing some unpublished matter, brought high prices. All the relics (which realised over £200) were the property of the widow of Rev. A. B. Nichols. Mr. Nichols' first wife was Charlotte Brontë.

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Hongkong, May 18, 1906. 1024

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TIME TABLE.

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7.30 a.m. to 9.00 a.m....Every 10 minutes

9.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m....Every 15 minutes

11.30 a.m. to 12.45 p.m....Every 10 minutes

12.45 p.m. to 1.45 p.m....Every 10 minutes

1.45 p.m. to 2.45 p.m....Every 10 minutes

2.45 p.m. to 3.00 p.m....Every 15 minutes

3.30 p.m. to 5.00 p.m....Every 15 minutes

5.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m....Every 10 minutes

7.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m....Every 10 minutes

NIGHT CARS.

7.00 p.m. to 8.00 a.m....Every half hour.

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8.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m....Every 15 minutes

9.30 a.m. to 10.30 a.m....Every 30 minutes

10.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m....Every 10 minutes

11.45 a.m. to 12.00 Noon....Every 15 minutes

12.00 Noon to 1.00 p.m....Every 10 minutes

1.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m....Every 15 minutes

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THE COMMERCIAL LAW AFFECTING CHINESE;

With Special Reference to

PARTNERSHIP REGISTRATION &

BANKRUPTCY LAWS IN

HONGKONG.

Reprinted from the "China Mail".

Banks.	Banks.	Auctions.	THE FUTURE OF KIAO-CHOW.	His Britannic Majesty's Ships on the China Station.
HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. PAID-UP CAPITAL \$10,000,000 RESERVE FUNDS— Sterling £1,000,000 at 2% \$10,000,000 Silver 11,750,000 21,750,000 RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS \$10,000,000	THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED. HEAD OFFICE:—HONGKONG. AUTHORIZED CAPITAL \$269,475 PAID-UP CAPITAL \$245,718 CAPITAL RESERVE FUND \$12,758 RESERVE FUND \$30,000	PUBLIC AUCTION. THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, for account of the concerned, on SATURDAY, the 21st September, 1907, commencing at 2.30 p.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vœux Road, Corner of Icy House Street,— A LARGE ASSEMBLAGE OF JAPANESE CURIOS, comprising:— CARVED BRAZED BOWLS, VASES, INCENSE BURNERS, JAPANESE TEMPLE TORIYE, OLD BRONZE VASES, GONGS, IVORY CARVINGS, GOLD AND SILVER CLOISONNÉ WARE, IMARI SCREENS, etc., etc., etc. Catalogues will be issued. TERMS:—As usual.	Germany's Position in the Far East. The Berlin correspondent of "The Times" remarks that the Tsar's visit to the Emperor William has revived the memory of the circumstances which led up to the occupation of Kiaochow by Germany ten years ago, and the question as to its fate in the future is being discussed with considerable anxiety. He goes on to say:— Indications have not been wanting during the past few years that the Reichstag in committee has seriously considered the desirability of withdrawing from the leased territory, and it has repeatedly been asserted that, before the outbreak of the war between Russia and Japan, China approached the German Government with a view to regaining possession of Kiaochow in return for adequate compensation and various commercial concessions in other districts of the Empire. The idea of abandoning the remainder of the lease, however, has not hitherto found favour either in official or in Parliamentary quarters, although the increase of politically unproductive expenditure has been viewed with misgivings. During this the first decade of German tenure £5,500,000 has been expended upon the Kiaochow territory, and a further outlay of several more millions will be required in order to complete the contemplated scheme of development. In view of the still meagre revenues of the port and hinterland this expenditure is a serious matter, even when it is regarded in its narrowed economic aspects.	Names. Class. Tons. Guns. I.H.P. Captain. Last reported. Alacrity* deep-charge-vessel 1700 12 3000 Cmdr. E. La T. Leatham Japan Astro cruiser, 2nd class 4500 10 9000 Capt. S. L. Vaughan Lee Hongkong Bedford cruiser, 1st class 9700 2 900 Lt.-Comdr. Davidson Japan Bramble river gunboat 110 2 900 Lt.-Comdr. Bamford Weihaiwei Britomart river gunboat 110 2 900 Lt.-Comdr. B. L. Majendie Hongkong Cedrus sloop 1070 6 1400 Lt.-Comdr. B. L. Majendie Hongkong Clay water tank and tug 300 2 900 Lt.-Comdr. B. L. Majendie Hongkong Flame sloop 1070 6 1400 Lt.-Comdr. B. L. Majendie Hongkong Flora cruiser, 2nd class 4500 10 7000 Lt.-Comdr. G. D. S. Ratkes Amoy Handy torpedo boat destroyer 275 6 4000 Capt. R. Nugent Amoy Hast torpedo boat destroyer 275 6 4000 Lt.-Comdr. W. H. Darwell Amoy James torpedo boat destroyer 280 6 3000 Lt.-Com. Dickens Amoy Kent cruiser, 1st class 9000 14 22,000 Lt.-Comdr. Dickens Amoy King Alfred cruiser, 1st class 14,000 14 30,000 Capt. De Horsey Amoy Kinsha river gunboat 618 4 1200 Capt. C. F. Thursby, R.N. Japan Monmouth cruiser, 1st class 9200 2 900 Lt.-Comdr. Crabtree Wuhu Japan Mooreen river gunboat 180 2 900 Capt. A. J. Toko Amoy Otter torpedo boat destroyer 350 6 6000 Lt.-Com. R. E. Vaughan West River Robin river gunboat 85 2 900 Lt.-Comdr. J. Kiddie Amoy Sandpiper river gunboat 85 2 900 Lt.-Comdr. C. C. Walcott West River Snipe river gunboat 85 2 900 Lt.-Comdr. Tickell West River Taku torpedo boat destroyer 250 6 6000 Lt.-Comdr. Teunisyon Yangtze Hongkong Tamar receiving ship 4500 6 — Commodore Stokes Teal river gunboat 150 2 900 Lt.-Comdr. Godfrey Amoy Thistle river gunboat 710 2 900 Lt.-Comdr. Stevenson Amoy Virago torpedo boat destroyer 355 6 6000 Lt.-Comdr. E. W. Gleane Amoy Waterwitch surveying ship 620 2 900 Lt.-Com. Cox Upper Yangtze Whiting torpedo boat destroyer 380 2 900 Lt.-Comdr. G. B. Spinor-Blower Upper Yangtze Widgeon river gunboat 195 2 900 Lt.-Comdr. Todd Upper Yangtze Woodcock river gunboat 150 2 900 Lt.-Com. Jno. P. Ross Upper Yangtze
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Hongkong, July 24, 1907. 1454	Hongkong, September 18, 1907. 1454			
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CRICKET IN INDIA.
Crack Wicket-keeper Engaged.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuter, via Bombay).

LONDON, September 18,

Banjitsinghi has secured the services of A. A. Lilley, the famous Warwickshire wicket-keeper, as coach to his team in India.

["Ranji" is endeavouring to form an Indian eleven capable of showing to advantage against both England and Australia and so far he has engaged three coaches, all of whom are extremely good men. The Sussex professionals, J. Vine and G. Cox, have already been engaged and now Lilley has been added to the number. The Home cricketers will feel the loss of Lilley more than either of the two others, for Lilley is the most brilliant wicket-keeper England possesses. Ed., C.M.]

AERIAL NAVIGATION.

The International Race.
(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuter, via Bombay).

LONDON, September 18.

The International balloon race from Brussels has resulted in a victory for a German competitor, who travelled 603 miles landing at Racine.

A Swiss balloon was second, 563 miles, while two British balloons, controlled by Messrs Huntington and Rolls respectively, travelled 556 and 537 miles each, being third and fourth. In all twenty-nine balloons started.

[REUTER'S SERVICE.] CANADA'S IMMIGRANTS.

LONDON, September 17. Mr Templeman, Minister of the Island Revenue, of the Dominion of Canada, speaking in Victoria, strongly advocated admitting into Canada only immigrants who were likely by assimilation and intermarriage to assist to build up a homogeneous population.

THE DUTCH IN THE CELEBES.

LONDON, September 17. News has reached Rotterdam that a Dutch force was defeated at Mandhar, on the 9th inst., with great loss.

Reinforcements are being sent.

MOROCCO

LONDON, September 17. It is stated that General Drude's conditions include the surrender of the tribesmen implicated in the massacre, the payment of an indemnity for the massacre and the sacking of Casablanca, and hostages, as a guarantee of good faith.

HOLLAND.

LONDON, September 17. Queen Wilhelmina at the opening of parliament announced that serious efforts would be made to render the consolidation of Dutch authority in the Dutch Indies beneficial to the native population.

THE RIOT IN THE SOUTH.

A native paper states that the French authorities on the border of Kwangsi province are very anxious about the riot in Chinese territory and that already soldiers have been stationed on the frontiers. The actions on the part of the Chinese authorities in suppressing the rioters have made the latter laughing stocks, in the eyes of the French.

CANTON NEWS.

(From Our Correspondent). CANTON, September 18. To-day's "Kwok Si News," the leading Canton daily, prints a very good likeness of the new Viceroy, H. E. Chang.

A number of suspicious fires have occurred in Canton recently, and the Nan Hoi and Poon Yee Magistrates at the request of the Police Department have issued proclamations offering rewards for the apprehension of incendiaries. Sometimes roughs set fire to buildings in order that they may steal, and often insolent firms insure their property and burn it to secure the money.

Reports of disasters caused by the recent heavy winds are coming to Canton from several sections. A great many boats were wrecked at Shiu Hing on the West River. The total property loss is estimated to be over \$20,000. A number of lives were lost. A large theatre boat was wrecked in San Wo District and all of the Company's effects were lost. Four lives were lost.

AGREEABLY SURPRISED.

MANY suffered from rheumatism have been agreeably surprised at the prompt relief afforded by applying Chamberlain's Pain-Pain. For sale by all chemists and druggists.

CHINA AND JAPAN.

A Special Envoy.

(From Our Correspondent.)

SHANGHAI, September 19.

Prince Pu Lan has been appointed by the Throne as Special Envoy to Japan.

[Prince Pu Lan was an Imperial Commissioner to the St. Louis Exposition in 1904, and was appointed Lieut.-General of the Bordered Yellow Banner in 1901. He is a prince of the 4th order.—Ed., C.M.]

THE CONSTITUTION OF CHINA.

Parliament Asked for Again.

(From Our Correspondent.)

SHANGHAI, September 19.

In an audience with the Empress Dowager yesterday Chang Chih Tung proposed that a Chinese parliament be formed within three years.

The proposition has been endorsed by Yuan Shi Kai.

MORE MURDER.

A Shanghai Sensation.

(From Our Correspondent.)

SHANGHAI, September 19.

A Russian woman was brutally murdered in Hongkow last night. She belonged to the unfortunate class.

THE HON. MR CHATHAM, C.M.G.

Ceremony at Government House.

Prior to his departure from the Colony Sir Matthew Nathan publicly pronounced the Hon. Mr Chatham, Director of Public Works to be "the hardest working man in the Colony," and no-one will gainsay the fact when it is considered what various and enormously important works Mr Chatham is compelled to supervise.

Mr Chatham has been connected with Hongkong since 1890, becoming Director of Public Works in 1901, and for his excellent services in the interests of the Colony since then the King has been graciously pleased to make him a Companion of the Order of St. Michael and St. George.

At Government House yesterday, in the presence of a distinguished company, including representatives of the Navy, the Military, the Consulates, the Colonial services, and the civil population, His Excellency Sir Frederick Lugard welcomed Mr Chatham with the insignia of the order. The new companion was introduced to His Excellency the Governor by Sir Paul Chater and the Hon. Dr Ho Kai, C.M.G., and the Governor returned the Viceroy's call.

CANTON'S VICEROY.

The Landing Ceremony.

His Excellency Chang Jen Chun landed to-day at noon, after previously paying a visit to the Tamar. His Excellency passed up the harbour on board a Chinese cruiser which came to anchor slightly east of H. M. S. Clio. The new Viceroy boarded the Tamar and on leaving that vessel a salute of seventeen guns was fired.

At Blake Pier was a guard of honour from the Third Middlesex Regiment, together with the Band of that regiment, and as His Excellency came alongside in a revenue launch the guard came to the present and the band struck up.

His Excellency inspected the guard, followed by his suite, among whom was noticed Thotai Wen, and then was chaired to Government House.

Mr W. R. M. D. Parr, Commissioner of Customs at Kowloon, also accompanied His Excellency ashore.

There was a large number of people congregated in the vicinity of the pier, most of whom were Chinese, though there was a good sprinkling of Europeans. The landing was a quiet ceremony, even though the guns boomed again as His Excellency stepped ashore. The chair in which he was taken to Government House was a most elaborate affair, green being the predominant colour, and it was decorated with black hangings. Eight bearers carried His Excellency, and in front of the chair walked two attendants, one carrying a huge fan-like screen and the other a canopy.

At Government House His Excellency the Viceroy, was attended by the following:—His Excellency the Governor and Lady Lugard, Major-General R. G. Broadwood, Major Ross, Colonel Darling, Captain Opie, A.D.C., Mr Brackenbury, Miss Brackenbury, Commodore Stokes, Mr Blackflower, Chev. and Mrs Volpicelli, Mr Droze, the Hon. Mr and Mrs May, Captain Lyons, Mr Parr, Mr Fleming, Taotai Wen, Mr Hsueh, Hon. Mr Wei Yuk, Hon. Mr Brewin and Captain Bonham.

A lunch, in honour of His Excellency the Viceroy, was attended by the following:—His Excellency the Governor and Lady Lugard, Major-General R. G. Broadwood, Major Ross, Colonel Darling, Captain Opie, A.D.C., Mr Brackenbury, Miss Brackenbury, Commodore Stokes, Mr Blackflower, Chev. and Mrs Volpicelli, Mr Droze, the Hon. Mr and Mrs May, Captain Lyons, Mr Parr, Mr Fleming, Taotai Wen, Mr Hsueh, Hon. Mr Wei Yuk, Hon. Mr Brewin and Captain Bonham.

The toast of "The King" was followed by that of "The Emperor of China," and after lunch the Viceroy's party left.

At 4 p.m. His Excellency the Governor returned the Viceroy's call.

THE ISLAND MURDER.

To Hing Chun and his wife, Ho Yung, were charged at the Criminal Sessions to-day with the murder of Kan Muk Fat.

The accused pleaded not guilty and the following jurors were sworn:—Messrs J. A. Plummer, J. M. Ramsay, H. B. Bridger, J. Olsen, S. Jones, G. White and G. W. Gogg.

The Hon. Mr W. Rees Davis (Attorney General) prosecuted, and defendant were represented by the Hon. Dr Ho Kai, C.M.G., instructed by Mr Otto Kong Sing.

Dr Ho Kai asked to be allowed to retire from the case as he did not get depositions until yesterday and the solicited for the defence had not been able to prepare his case.

The Acting Chief Justice pointed out that he could not, as Dr Ho Kai was the only barrister in the Colony, besides the Attorney General.

After further discussion Mr Justice Wise remarked that he had no doubt but that Dr Ho Kai would do justice to the prisoners, upon which Counsel signified his intention of proceeding with the case.

The case was one in which the accused killed Kan Muk Fat at Lantao—alleging that it was in self-defence they killed him.

A verdict of manslaughter was returned against both prisoners. The man was sentenced to three years' imprisonment with hard labour and the woman to eighteen months' imprisonment.

PIRATICAL TORPEDO BOAT.

Robbery of a Passage Boat.

(From Our Correspondent.)

CANTON, September 17.

Something more than a month ago, a Chinese torpedo boat stopped a passage boat on pretence of searching for smuggled arms. It developed that their real purpose was robbery. All money and valuables were appropriated and taken away on the torpedo boat, and several of the crew of the passage boat were arrested on the charge of being rebels.

But the passage boat people were able to turn the tables on the Commander of the torpedo boat. The trial was concluded the day before yesterday. The Commander has been degraded; he is to be paraded through the street for three days and is then to be imprisoned for 20 years. The crew of the torpedo boat are to be punished according to the extent of their participation in the crime.

A proclamation has been issued concerning the matter and ought to have a salutary effect upon captains and crews of other gunboats.

FRENCH POST OFFICE IN MENGTE.

(From Our Correspondent.)

The Waiwupu has protested to the French Minister against the establishment of the French Post Office in Mengte, saying that it is a violation of China's sovereignty, and the French Minister is standard here in its line. It never fails to give satisfaction and we could hardly afford to be without it." For sale by all chemists and druggists.

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OUR SCOTTISH LETTER.

(From Our Correspondent.)

EDINBURGH, August 23.

The Scottish Small Landholders Bill has been dropped. The Ministerialists candidly admit that its abandonment is mainly a piece of tactics. One of their leading journals says: "Whether these tactics are wise or not depends on the state of opinion in Scotland, and which factor will be strongest: discontent in the Highlands that the Government have refused the compromise of the Act or have not given them an instalment of reform, or indignation in the Lowlands at the rejection of the part of the Bill which was to them."

SPORTING.

The V. R. C. Sports.

The annual aquatic sports promoted by the Victoria Recreation Club commenced today at five o'clock. The programme is an interesting, fair and good contests are anticipated, particularly in the handicaps events, some of the back markers being set particularly hard tasks.

The programme for to-morrow is as follows:—

1. 5.00 p.m.—HURDLE RACE.—Two lengths—Handloop's 4 Hurdles. 1st in each heat to swim in the final. Two prizes.

FIRST HEAT. SECOND HEAT.

P. Yemovich ... go. F. B. Silva ... go.

J. LeBreton ... go. A. J. V. Bibi ... go.

O. R. Chyuny ... 3 L. E. Lamert ... 7

R. C. Witchell ... 12 H. C. Sayer ... 11

THIRD HEAT. FOURTH HEAT.

F. K. Tata ... over 2 A. H. Carroll ... over 4

F. H. Roza ... 6 J. M. R. Pereira ... 6

H. A. Lamert ... 10 P. M. Remedies ... 9

A. V. Barros ... 11 J. W. Bains ... 12

FOURTH HEAT. FIFTH HEAT.

F. K. Tata ... over 2 A. H. Carroll ... over 4

F. H. Roza ... 6 J. M. R. Pereira ... 6

H. A. Lamert ... 10 P. M. Remedies ... 9

A. V. Barros ... 11 J. W. Bains ... 12

FIFTH HEAT. SIXTH HEAT.

F. K. Tata ... over 2 A. H. Carroll ... over 4

F. H. Roza ... 6 J. M. R. Pereira ... 6

H. A. Lamert ... 10 P. M. Remedies ... 9

A. V. Barros ... 11 J. W. Bains ... 12

SIXTH HEAT. SEVENTH HEAT.

F. K. Tata ... over 2 A. H. Carroll ... over 4

F. H. Roza ... 6 J. M. R. Pereira ... 6

H. A. Lamert ... 10 P. M. Remedies ... 9

A. V. Barros ... 11 J. W. Bains ... 12

SEVENTH HEAT. EIGHTH HEAT.

F. K. Tata ... over 2 A. H. Carroll ... over 4

F. H. Roza ... 6 J. M. R. Pereira ... 6

H. A. Lamert ... 10 P. M. Remedies ... 9

A. V. Barros ... 11 J. W. Bains ... 12

EIGHTH HEAT. NINTH HEAT.

F. K. Tata ... over 2 A. H. Carroll ... over 4

F. H. Roza ... 6 J. M. R. Pereira ... 6

H. A. Lamert ... 10 P. M. Remedies ... 9

A. V. Barros ... 11 J. W. Bains ... 12

NINTH HEAT. TENTH HEAT.

F. K. Tata ... over 2 A. H. Carroll ... over 4

F. H. Roza ... 6 J. M. R. Pereira ... 6

H. A. Lamert ... 10 P. M. Remedies ... 9

A. V. Barros ... 11 J. W. Bains ... 12

TENTH HEAT. ELEVENTH HEAT.

F. K. Tata ... over 2 A. H. Carroll ... over 4

F. H. Roza ... 6 J. M. R. Pereira ... 6

H. A. Lamert ... 10 P. M. Remedies ... 9

A. V. Barros ... 11 J. W. Bains ... 12

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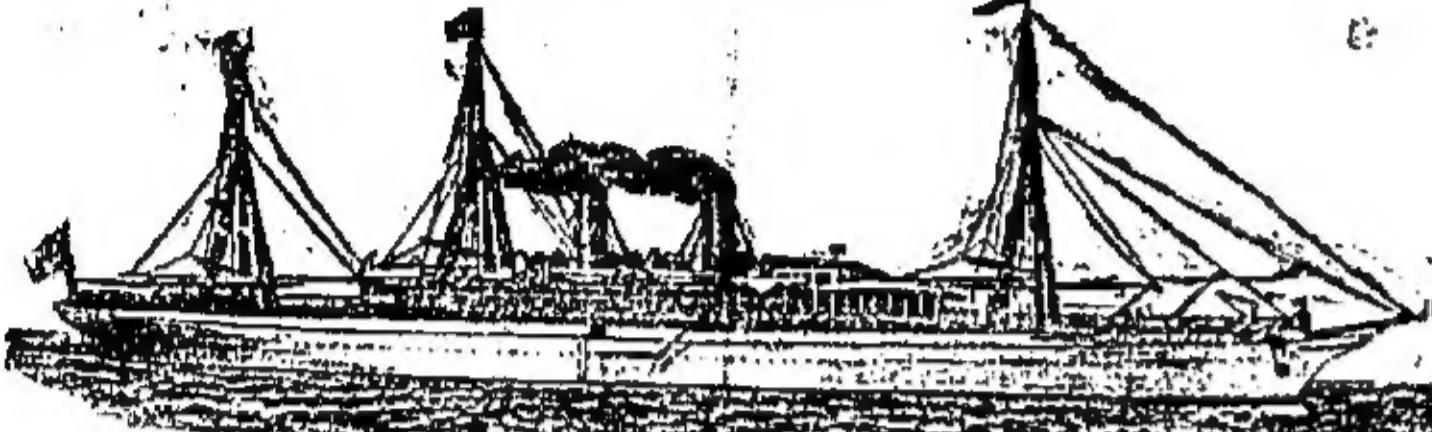
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OCEANA.....	About 19th Freight and Capt. W. HAWARD, R.N.R. September. Passage.
LONDON, VIA USUAL PORTS.....	(MALTA.....)	Noon, 21st	See Special Capt. R. A. PETERS. September. Advertisement
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, POONA.....	27th	About Freight only.
YOKOHAMA.....	Capt. A. F. VINH, R.N.R. September. Freight only.
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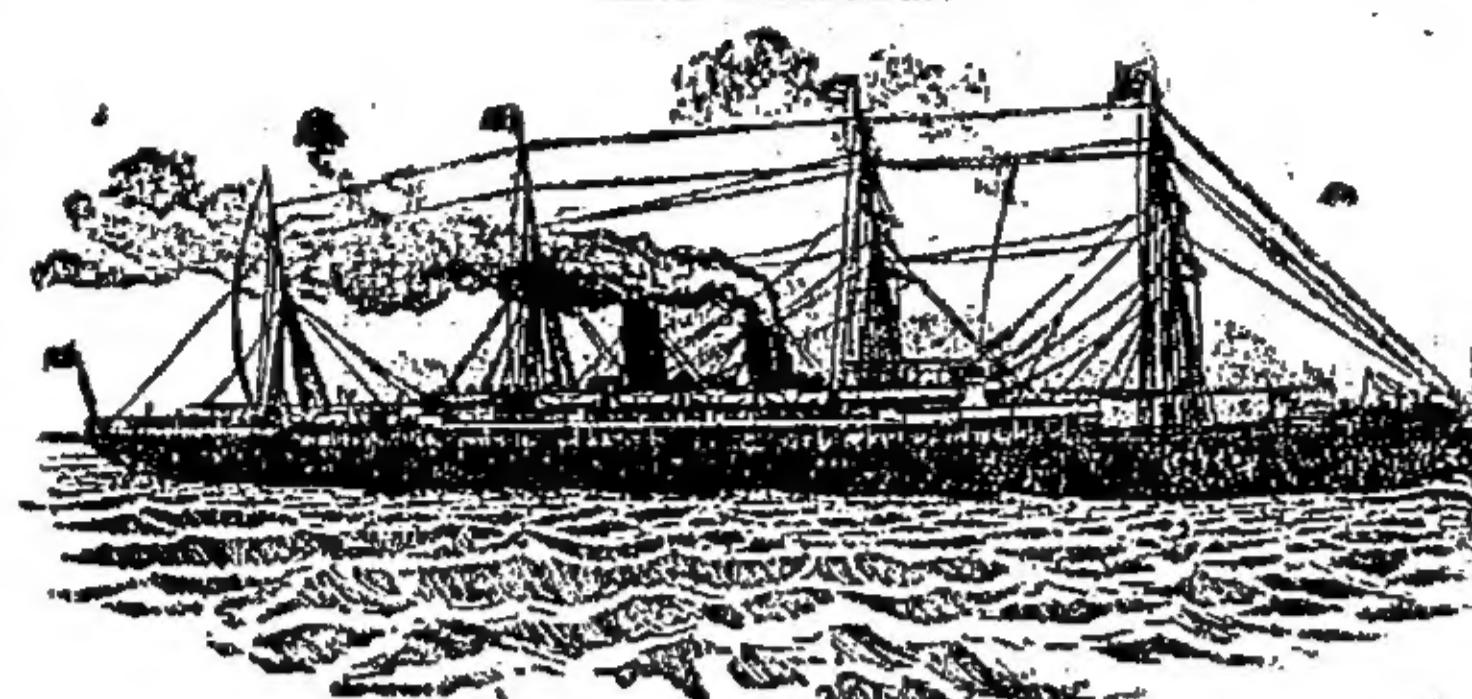
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DELTA 8000	Nov. 2	MOOLTAN 9800	Nov. 30	Dec. 7
ARCADIA 7000	Nov. 16	CHINA 8100	Dec. 14	Dec. 21
DEVANHA 8000	Nov. 30	HIMALAYA 7000	Jan. 4	Jan. 18
MALTA 8000	Dec. 14	MOLDAVIA 10000	Jan. 11, 1908	Jan. 18
DELTA 8000	Dec. 28	INDIA 8000	Jan. 25	Feb. 1
DELTA 8000	Jan. 11, 1908	MONGOLIA 10000	Feb. 8	Feb. 15
ARCADIA 7000	Feb. 8	VICTORIA 7000	Feb. 22	Feb. 29
PENINSULAR 5300	Feb. 22	MACEDONIA 10500	Mar. 7	Mar. 14
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THE YELLOW RIVER BRIDGE.

How it is Maintained.

Mr Angier, proprietor of the "London and China Express," who has been touring the East, writes of the famous Yellow River Bridge: On my return to Sing-chang-sien, a special train was kindly provided for me. This took me south for an hour and a quarter to the famous bridge. On arrival the engineer specially in charge of the bridge met us and the express having proceeded on, we were conducted over the bridge on a trolley worked by coolies. This permitted of stopping to examine the construction and any special spots. The bridge is certainly a wonderful piece of work. It consists of 103 spans each of 30 metres. This means about three kilometers, or my round about two English miles. For certain distances from either bank the spans are constructed overhead, but for all the central portion they are built at rail level. The screw piles are sunk down 50 ft., but even at that depth no solid foundation exists. It is all alluvium that has been carried in solution in the turbulent waves of what has too truly deserved the name of "China's sorrow." These piles are put down in a square format in a pile at each corner. These are connected by lattice work, and are further supported by guard piles above and below in the line of direction of the current. From these piles braces go to near the rail level and permit of certain longitudinal movements of the bridge under exceptional stress of water. So far, since the construction was completed, there has been no exceptional freshet, so that the anticipated maximum strain has not had to be encountered. For the protection of the piles and to attempt to make a more secure foundation than the sort of floating mud on which it now rests, many tons of rubble have been put down each season. Pavers are first put down at low water season and the stone dumped on these. A group of seven piles is thus treated each season. It is not wished how soon these stones bear down the paving and disappear from view in the soft mud. Change has been made in the deposit of these large quantities of stone will have the effect of raising roads if the heavy winter season is in the least abnormal. The river, it is said, could not be able to readily scour out a larger channel which it usually does in heavy water, and carry away the necessary quantity of material to carry the volume. The result is, however, would seem to indicate that this danger is by no means removed. What is sought, of course, is to secure some sort of a better foundation about the base of the piles. Some distance above the bridge a special training wall has been constructed for a length of several kilometers with the object of deflecting on to the southern bank, which is here somewhat hilly, the heavy mass of water that comes down from freshets, and prevent its full force, when it is running perhaps at a velocity of nearly 90 kilometers an hour, striking directly on to the structure of the bridge. One naturally hopes that so interesting a construction as comprised in the second longest bridge in the world, even if it does not present any very special engineering achievement, is safeguarded by the precautions that have been provided. It is an interesting feature from the fact that it spans the famous, but turbulent, Yellow River. This must always bring it a certain renown.

To-day's Advertisements

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New Twin Screw Steamer, Capt. J. McGinty
Leaves Hongkong for Canton 9 p.m. on
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Fare 1st Class \$5 single passage.
Meals \$1 each.
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Returns to Hongkong at 6.30 P.M.
Fare 1st Class \$1.50 single passage.
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Servants' passage must be paid for.
CHUNG ON STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.
No. 222, Des Voeux Road Central,
Hongkong, September 19, 1907. 1512

'SHIRE' LINE OF STEAMERS,
LIMITED.NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
FROM MIDDLESEX, ANTWERP,
LONDON & STRAITS.

THE Steamship BRECONSHIRE,
Captain TOLSON, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the HONOLULU and KOWLOON WILARD AND GODOWN CO. LTD., at Kowloon, and stored in Congress' risk and expense.
No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 25th Inst., will be subject to re-charge.
All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on WEDNESDAY, the 26th Inst., at 3 p.m.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
SHEWAN, TOMEY & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, September 19, 1907. 1513

Hongkong Register.

Previous day at 4 p.m.	On date at 10 a.m.	On date at 4 p.m.
Barometer.....	29.76	29.69
Temperature.....	83	83
Humidity.....	60	78
Direction of Wind.....	E	E
Force.....	2	2
Weather.....	b	o
Rain.....	-	od

Highest open air temperature on the 17th 85
Lowest open air temperature on the 17th 77

F. G. Fug, Director.

Hongkong Observatory, Sept. 18th, 1907.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

September 18.
Tylation, Dutch str., 2,475, P. J. von
Emmerick, Moji Sept. 14. General and
Coal.—JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE.

Yerino Maru, Japanese str., 2,360, N.
Kobayashi, from Japan, Coal and General.
—S.K.

Hongkong, French str., 730, E. Coreil,
Haiphong and Hoitow Sept. 17, Piggs and
General.—A.R. MARBY.

Tsukuda, Chinese str., 1,210, Stevens,
Shanghai Sept. 15, General—C. M. S. N.
Co.

Nord, British steamer, 1,160, F. Prynn,
Tantzin Sept. 12.—Geo. McMAN.

Hild, Norwegian str., 720, J. Salvesen,
Bangkok Sept. 9, Teakwood—Ginn,
LAVINGTON & Co.

Kyo Maru, Japanese steamer, 1,448,
S. Hirai, Cebu September 13, Ballast—
GIRMAN & Co.

September 19.
Inaba Maru, Japanese str., 6,189, Wm.
Rainbridge, London and Singapore Sept.
11, General—Nippon Yusen KAISHA.

Brienshire, British str., 3,696, J. M.
Toulmin, London Aug. 4, and Singapore
Sept. 11, General—SHEWAN, TOMEY & CO.

Kong wei, German steamer, 1,115, J.
Kohler, Rotterdam and Stevens Sept. 19
to 20.—BUTTERFIELD & SWINE.

DEPARTURES

From Shanghai.

Persia, for Nagasaki.

September 19.

Chidara, for Sasebo.

Helen, for Hoitow.

Hsing, for Foochow.

Kuchischa, for Canton.

Nippou Maru

Sacura, for Manila and London

Fritsch, for Amoy.

Pelschubur, for Amoy.

Gloos-Ideen, for Ssiong

Kutawar, for Shanghai.

Manila, for Saigon.

CLEARED.

Vine Branch, for Vladivostok

Front, for Cleefoo.

Amoy, for Hoitow.

Front, for Canton.

Hild, for Yokohama.

Hill, for Saigon.

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